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111TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION**S. 1017****[Report No. 111–253]**

To reauthorize the Cane River National Heritage Area Commission and expand the boundaries of the Cane River National Heritage Area in the State of Louisiana.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 11, 2009

Ms. LANDRIEU introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

AUGUST 5, 2010

Reported by Mr. BINGAMAN, with amendments

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A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Cane River National
5 Heritage Area Reauthorization Act of ~~2009~~ *2010*”.

1 **SEC. 2. CANE RIVER NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA.**

2 (a) BOUNDARIES.—Section 401 of the Cane River
3 Creole National Historical Park and National Heritage
4 Area Act (16 U.S.C. 410ccc–21) is amended—

5 (1) in subsection (b)—

6 (A) in paragraph (3), by striking “and” at
7 the end;

8 (B) by redesignating paragraph (4) as
9 paragraph (6); and

10 (C) by inserting after paragraph (3) the
11 following:

12 “(4) fostering compatible economic develop-
13 ment;

14 “(5) enhancing the quality of life for local resi-
15 dents; and”; and

16 (2) in subsection (c), by striking paragraphs (1)
17 through (6) and inserting the following:

18 “(1) the area generally depicted on the map en-
19 titled ‘Revised Boundary of Cane National Heritage
20 Area Louisiana’, numbered 494/80021, and dated
21 May 2008;

22 “(2) the Fort Jesup State Historic Site; and

23 “(3) as satellite site, any properties connected
24 with the prehistory, history, or cultures of the Cane
25 River region that may be the subject of cooperative
26 agreements with the Cane River National Heritage

1 Area Commission or any successor to the Commis-
 2 sion.”.

3 (b) CANE RIVER NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA COM-
 4 MISSION.—Section 402 of the Cane River Creole National
 5 Historical Park and National Heritage Area Act (16
 6 U.S.C. 410ccc–22) is amended—

7 (1) in subsection (b)—

8 (A) by striking “19” and inserting “23”;

9 (B) in paragraph (4), by inserting “the
 10 Natchitoches Parish Tourist Commission and
 11 other” before “local”;

12 (C) in paragraph (7), by striking “Concern
 13 Citizens of Cloutierville” and inserting “Village
 14 of Cloutierville”;

15 (D) in paragraph (13), by striking “are
 16 landowners in and residents of” and inserting
 17 “own land within ~~the heritage area~~”;

18 (E) in paragraph (16)—

19 (i) by striking “one member” and in-
 20 serting “2 members”; and

21 (ii) by striking “and” at the end;

22 (F) by redesignating paragraph (17) as
 23 paragraph (19); and

24 (G) by inserting after paragraph (16) the
 25 following:

1 “(17) 2 members, 1 of whom represents Afri-
 2 can-American culture and 1 of whom represents
 3 Cane River Creole culture, after consideration of rec-
 4 ommendations submitted by the Governor of Lou-
 5 isiana;

6 “(18) 1 member with knowledge of tourism,
 7 after consideration of recommendations by the Sec-
 8 retary of the Louisiana Department of Culture,
 9 Recreation and Tourism; and”.

10 ~~(2) in subsection (c)(4), by striking “, such as~~
 11 ~~a non-profit corporation,”;~~

12 ~~(3)(2) in subsection (d)—~~

13 (A) in paragraph (5), by striking “for re-
 14 search, historic preservation, and education
 15 purposes” and inserting “to further the pur-
 16 poses of title III and this title”;

17 (B) in paragraph (6), by striking “the
 18 preparation of studies that identify, preserve,
 19 and plan for the management of the heritage
 20 area” and inserting “carrying out projects or
 21 programs that further the purposes of title III
 22 and this title”; and

23 (C) by striking paragraph (8) and insert-
 24 ing the following:

1 “(8) develop, or assist others in developing,
2 projects or programs to further the purposes of title
3 III and this title;”; and

4 ~~(4)~~(3) in the third sentence of subsection (g),
5 by inserting “, except that if any of the organiza-
6 tions specified in subsection (b) ceases to exist, the
7 vacancy shall be filled with an at-large member”
8 after “made”.

9 (c) PREPARATION OF THE PLAN.—Section 403 of the
10 Cane River Creole National Historical Park and National
11 Heritage Area Act (16 U.S.C. 410ccc–23) is amended by
12 adding at the end the following:

13 “(d) AMENDMENTS.—

14 “(1) IN GENERAL.—An amendment to the man-
15 agement plan that substantially alters the purposes
16 of the heritage area shall be reviewed by the Sec-
17 retary and approved or disapproved in the same
18 manner as the management plan.

19 “(2) IMPLEMENTATION.—The local coordi-
20 nating entity shall not use Federal funds made avail-
21 able under this title to implement an amendment to
22 the management plan until the Secretary approves
23 the amendment.”.

24 (d) TERMINATION OF HERITAGE AREA COMMIS-
25 SION.—Section 404 of the Cane River Creole National

1 Historical Park and National Heritage Area Act (16
2 U.S.C. 410ccc–24) is amended—

3 (1) in subsection (a), by striking “the day oc-
4 ccurring 10 years after the first official meeting of
5 the Commission” and inserting “~~August 5, 2025~~
6 *September 30, 2015*”; and

7 ~~(2) in the third sentence of subsection (c), by~~
8 ~~striking “, including the potential for a nonprofit~~
9 ~~corporation.”.~~

10 (2) *by adding at the end the following:*

11 “(d) *EVALUATION AND REPORT.*—

12 “(1) *EVALUATION.*—

13 “(A) *IN GENERAL.*—*Not later than 3 years*
14 *before the date on which authority for Federal*
15 *funding terminates for the Commission or any*
16 *successor entity, the Secretary shall conduct an*
17 *evaluation of the accomplishments of the heritage*
18 *area.*

19 “(B) *REQUIREMENTS.*—*In conducting the*
20 *evaluation under subparagraph (A), the Sec-*
21 *retary shall—*

22 “(i) *assess the progress of the local*
23 *management entity with respect to—*

24 “(I) *accomplishing the purposes of*
25 *the heritage area; and*

1 “(II) achieving the goals and ob-
 2 jectives of the approved management
 3 plan for the heritage area;

4 “(ii) analyze the investments of the
 5 Federal Government, State, tribal, and local
 6 governments, and private entities in the
 7 heritage area to determine the impact of the
 8 investments; and

9 “(iii) review the management struc-
 10 ture, partnership relationships, and funding
 11 of the heritage area for purposes of identi-
 12 fying the critical components for sustain-
 13 ability of the heritage area.

14 “(2) *REPORT.*—Based on the evaluation con-
 15 ducted under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall sub-
 16 mit to the Committee on Natural Resources of the
 17 House of Representatives and the Committee on En-
 18 ergy and Natural Resources of the Senate a report
 19 that—

20 “(A) describes the results of the evaluation
 21 conducted under that paragraph; and

22 “(B) includes a recommendation on the fu-
 23 ture role of the National Park Service, if any,
 24 with respect to the heritage area.”.

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